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This declaration is original.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### SYSTEM FOR OPTIMIZATION OF GOLF CLUBS

the specification of which (I authorize Choate, Hall & Stewart to check one of the following, three choices, and fill in the blanks, if applicable):

\_\_\_\_\_ is attached hereto.

\_\_\_\_\_ x was filed on 4/21/99 as Application Serial No. 09/295,913 and amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

\_\_\_\_\_ was filed as PCT international application No. \_\_\_\_\_, on and was amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledged the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s):

Priority Claimed

_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year/Filed)	Yes	No
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_____ (Application Serial No.)	_____ (filing date)	_____ (status-patented, pending, abandoned)
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PCT Applications designating the United States:

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

**37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)**  
**INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code with regard to the invention titled:

TITLE: System for Optimization of Golf Clubs  
by:

INVENTOR(S): Howard B. Sosin  
described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith
- ☒ U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/295,913  
filed April 21, 1999
- ☐ U.S. Patent Number \_\_\_\_\_  
issued \_\_\_\_\_

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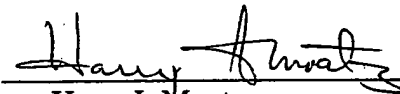
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